

Alabama White Woman Kills Self And Young Son

DOOTHAN, Ala.—(ANP)—Apparently despondent over the law breaking up what is reported to have been a love affair between her and a Negro man, a white matron here has killed her 9-year-old son and then took her own life.

Suspicious of a forbidden romance, police allegedly shadowed a Negro man and white woman, caught them in the act of romancing, arrested them, and when the white matron refused to make any charges, law officers are said to have charged them with "disorderly conduct." Convicted, the white woman is said to have paid both fines, giving her lover a large sum of money to leave town to avoid personal harm.

The woman linked with the story was Mrs. Geraldine Mixon, 37, lifelong resident of the Wiregrass, who is said to have slain her son, Jerry Pointevint, 9, child by previous marriage. The man associated with the story is Ike Barfield, married, with a grown daughter. Sheriff B. G. Farmer of Houston county, said that Mrs. Mixon had brooded over her arrest on a misdemeanor. The couple is understood to have carried on this illicit and untraditional love affair for a number of years.

Despondent Over Death Of Son, Man a Suicide

Solis R. Guilles, 50, of 39th street near Wallace, shot and killed himself Saturday night in the bedroom of his home.

Guilles, who was a former postal employee, was suffering from a lengthy illness. He had recently been informed of his son's death and was separated from his wife.

The coroner's office issued a certificate of death by suicide.

Kills Self In Y Bldg.

ATLANTA—(ANP)—Forty-six year old Samuel Houseworth, who

came to Atlanta 22 months ago from Chicago to accept a job as a jewelry polisher, was believed by police to have committed suicide after his body was discovered in the Butler St. YMCA, where he resided.

The jugular vein had been severed with a knife, found near the body, officers said. The body was discovered by a maid when she entered the room to clean up. No letters or notes were left. Houseworth was depicted by fellow YMCA residents as a quiet, unassuming man, who kept mostly to himself. No one including a sister, Mrs. Ruby, a resident of Atlanta, could assign a motive for Houseworth's act.

Negro Soldiers Had Been Accused Of Slaying Him

SATTLE—(ANP)—Gugliom Olivetto, the Italian war prisoner whose body was found hanging from a guywire, was a suicide. That testimony was brought out during the recent riot-murder trial of 41 Negro soldiers here by defense counsel Maj. William Beeks.

Beeks created a sensation in court when he produced a letter written on July 17 by the U. S. officer commanding the Italian service unit asking for a mental examination of Olivetto. The dead result of his experiences with French Moroccan troops who captured him in North Africa, American and Italian witnesses testified.

Inability to obtain sufficient evidence to place the three accused men, Cpl. Luther Larkin, Sgt. Artuhr J. Hurks and Pvt. William G. Jones, near the murder scene was instrumental in dropping the murder charges against them, it was learned.

There was no evidence to support reports of good relations between the Negroes and the Italian war prisoners prior to the fracas, which is attributed to smoldering resentment by Negro soldiers against jim crow treatment.

The riot began, according to witnesses, when two Negro soldiers were badly beaten by the Italians and dumped near the barracks. Twenty-eight Negro soldiers received around 200 years in prison sentences for rioting but the murder charges against three of them were dismissed.

Whites Lead In Suicides

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 4—(P)—All except one of the 16 Alabamians who committed suicide in September were white persons, the State Health Department reported.

Suicide Bus Killer attempts suicide

SAN FRANCISCO—There's never a dull moment around Louis Lee Jackson, who will die two months hence at San Quentin prison for the murder of a white girl whom he claimed as his sweetheart.

About to be removed to San Quentin's death row from this city's county jail, Jackson slashed his throat and left wrist last Saturday morning in the prison barber shop, using the barber's own razor, but was overpowered by his jailers before he could do serious damage. Patched up, he was removed to San Quentin, from which he had been paroled only 20 months ago.

Still the beamish boy, Jackson, lying on a table in the jail hospital, suddenly produced a gauze-wrapped safety razor blade from inside his mouth and told reporters and hospital attendants that he had planned his suicide with the weapon. He claimed to have secreted the blade inside his mouth since his arrest a month ago, but jail attendants don't believe him.

Minister Commits Suicide In Harlem Y.M.C.A. Chapel; Uses Old .45 Calibre Army Revolver

N. Y. age
The Harlem Branch YMCA, 133 West 135th street, was the scene of a puzzling suicide shortly after 1:30 p.m. Monday, when a man, tentatively identified as Rev. A. T. Hardy 50, of 2143 Seventh avenue, shot and killed himself in the chapel of the institution.

It is believed that the man had gone into the chapel in the belief that the regular meeting of ministers would be held there, not knowing that sessions had been discontinued for the summer.

One of the residents of the Y's annex, Beecher Wilson, entered the chapel to practice on the piano when he heard a noise behind the piano. He went to see what was

causing the noise, when he spied a man crouched behind the piano and holding a .45 calibre pistol. Wilson screamed and ran out of the chapel, the screaming attracted the attention of Patrolman Charles Mayo, who was in the cafeteria.

Rushing up the stairs to investigate, Patrolman Mayo heard a gun shot and saw Wilson running out of the building. Drawing his revolver, the Patrolman called on Wilson to halt and caught up with him in front of the Y's annex. Speechless with fright, Wilson was taken back to the main building where he regained composure and told the policeman what he had seen in the chapel. In the chapel, the policeman found the minister dead on the floor with the .45 calibre gun lying by his left ankle. He had shot himself in the left temple, the bullet coming out of the left eye.

Police, who searched the man, found that he carried a gun holster strapped around his waist and had numerous bullets in his pockets. He carried an identification card which described him as Rev. A. T. Hardy, Shepard Superior of the Church of Salvation, with headquarters at 2143 Seventh avenue.

Beside loose money, he also carried a check issued by the Telecoin Corp., 305 East 63rd street, for which he had been working since May 30th, and a dispossession notice.

It was reported that Rev. Hardy had come to New York several months ago from Ohio, had a large car and reputedly had several thousand dollars with him when he set up headquarters here.

Murder and Suicide
LODNON, Tenn.—(ANP)—Murder and suicide were declared last week in the case of Robert Jackson, 70, farmer, and Mrs. Athella Bussett, 35, who were found dead, each shot in the head at Jackson's home at Greenback.

Georgia Man Kills 'Self On Eve of Murder Trial

Brunswick, Ga., May 21.—(P)—Richard Bailey, 26-year-old former shipyard worker, hung himself in Glynn county jail today on the eve of his trial on charges of murder in the death of a two and half-year-old child, Bettie Lou Frazier last February, County Sheriff George M. Owens said.

A blanket tied to the top of a cell window was Bailey's noose, the sheriff said. The body was found shortly after noon by a jail porter taking lunch to prisoners. Bailey was brought to Brunswick Saturday night from the state prison in Reidsville where he had been kept for his own protection.

More than 1,000 persons joined in the search for the child before finding her body in a muddy swamp stream near the Frazier home.

Bailey, formerly of Pineville, W. Va., said when arrested he killed the child by putting her head under his arm and pressing her nose against his body. He later repudiated his confession.

Highway Death Of 'Popover King' Listed as Suicide

Montgomery County police at Rockville yesterday listed as a suicide, the death of Charlie Cloud, 75, Negro, known as "the Popover King" a nickname he earned as a cook at the Normandy Farms, Potomac, Md.

Cloud was found shot to death on a road near Potomac, late Tuesday night. He was employed at Normandy Farms for 14 years as assistant cook and he became famous for making popovers and muffins. When the well known eating place closed for the duration he was its caretaker.

After hearing the peace news Cloud took a drink, hunted up an old gun and left to meet friends, according to Miss Genevieve Hendricks, supervisor of the establishment. He was a native of Max Meadows, Va.

Mother Fasts To Death For Sailor Child

ATLANTA (ANP)—Mrs. John Gaston, 57, died at her home last week as the result of a 22-day fast. John Gaston, her husband, told police his wife said an angel had appeared to her and told her that she should not eat until her son returned from service in the navy. The son, George, was reportedly stationed in the Pacific.

The mother was said to have previously gone on 16-day fasts successfully.
During the fatal fast, Mrs. Gaston refused to go to a hospital. Doctors and preachers could not influence her to break the fast.

Young Atlantan Declared Suicide On In-Bound Train

Atlanta, Ga.

Miss Gloria Jackson, 19, an Atlantan who had worked the past nine months as an aircraft mechanic learner at Tuskegee Army Air Field, Alabama was found shot to death in the ladies rest room of an Atlanta-bound train Friday night. *8-19-45*

A coroner's jury, quickly impanelled at Newnan, Ga. where the train was stopped, decided that Miss Jackson came to her death by a gunshot wound, "self-inflicted." It was necessary to force open the door to the rest room where the body was found.

Miss Jackson resided in Atlanta with her mother, Mrs. Nell Ward at 830 Beckwith Street, S. W. Her father Beach Jackson, incidentally dives in Newnan. Mrs. Ward was at the station in Atlanta Friday night to meet her daughter when informed of the tragedy. She went immediately to Newnan to learn of official findings and make plans for burial.

COMPLAINED OF ILLNESS

Mrs. Samuel Hall, grandmother of the deceased, said that Miss Jackson had returned from Tuskegee AAF with her mother about a week previously after complaining of illness. While at home, the mechanic learner seemed jolly enough Mrs. Hall said. About the middle of the week, however, following a communication from TAAF this returned there to turn in her tools and picks up some laundry, the grandmother reported. It was from this mission that she was returning Friday night.

Mrs. Hall further said that persons riding on the train reported that Miss Jackson had been in the diner of the train in company with an Air Field soldier on his way to Atlanta for the week-end. The deceased is declared to have eaten heartily and written in a notebook quite a bit before excusing herself to the rest room where her body was later found. A porter is said to have heard a pistol shot soon after she entered the room. *P-19-45*

An Atlantan on the train at the time of the tragedy told the World that she saw Miss Jackson give the notebook to the serviceman, after making him swear he would deliver it to a lieutenant at the Tuskegee field.

The deceased was a graduate of Booker T. Washington High School and attended Clark College two years, her grand mother said.

Suicide's body claimed

The body of one of the most gruesome suicides on record, that of mystery man Alex Dave Perry, about 35 years old, was removed this week by Fisher Mortuary to Waco, Tex., after the dead man's mother, Mrs. Mary Perry, of that city, had claimed it. *11-19-45*

Leaving no clue as to his further identity or reason for his act, Perry literally blew his brains out Friday of last week in a hotel room at 720 E. 5th st. Police, who found his dead body slumped in a chair, the gun clutched in his hand, said divide sections of his hand, said divided sections of this floor.

Perry had rented the room earlier in the evening of his death, police said. He had no luggage and apparently carried the gun in a package he carried. His body was found the following morning by the maid who had come to clean the room. *11-19-45*